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### Administration

Federal News Radio [Received 9/24] -- OPEN – Request for follow-up interview re: best practices for small-business contracting.

### Air

Air and Space Magazine [Received 9/18] -- CLOSED -- Asking about lead in Av gas. Sent links to our fact sheets.

Bloomberg [Received 9/24] -- CLOSED 9/26 -- Seeking confirmation on current projections for retirements of coal-fired electric generators resulting from EPA regs. Alisha's handling. Story will run the day our information is received.

Bloomberg News, NEIKI [Received 9/18] -- OPEN -- Asking when the NSPS for GHGs will be final. We have a short statement. Waiting for 3 to approve.

Farm Progress.com [Received 9/17] -- OPEN -- Sent a link to a video about near roadway pollution and health impacts of PM fine-- which is smaller than PM 2.5. Exploring with ORD.

Freelancer [Received 9/26] -- OPEN -- Asking about a Yale PM study. Working on a short statement.

ICIS [Received 9/20] -- CLOSED -- Asking about using LNG for marine fuel as a trend.

Law 360 [Received 9/25] -- CLOSED 9/26 -- Sent response on lawsuit filed by the Center for Biological Diversity re: lead NAAQS. Story ran 9/26.

MSN [Received 9/26] -- CLOSED -- Asking when our 2013 fuel economy guide will come out. Don't know

SevenPonds [Received 9/20] -- OPEN -- Seeking study and conclusions on mercury emissions from cremations. Program working on it; deadline: this week. Blog will potentially run in the next couple of weeks.

# Children's Health

Risk Policy Report [Received 9/26] – CLOSED 9/26 – Is Peter Grevatt going to become director of OGWDW? Announcement issued in error.

# Enforcement

The Advocate [Received 09/30] -- OPEN -- Seeking interview regarding EPA's Criminal Investigation Division. Interview has been approved by Larry. Scheduled interview with Brett Spiers on 09/27.

American Bar Association [Received 08/01] -- OPEN -- Requesting interview with Henry Barnet, Director of EPA's Office of Criminal Enforcement, Forensics and Training (OCEFT). Interview approved with David Bloomgren. Interview will be scheduled sometime in October.

Center for Public Integrity [Received 09/21] -- OPEN -- Question regarding Marathon in Detroit and EJ. Deadline 09/24 at 3 PM EDT. Checking with program but region 5 may handle.

Columbia Missourian [Received 09/24] -- OPEN -- Questions regarding hazardous waste facilities and discharge monitoring reports in ECHO. Deadline 09/26. Checking with program.

## **Environmental Information**

Federal News Radio [Received 9/5] – OPEN – Panel discussion request for Malcolm Jackson about EPA moving to the cloud, using apps challenges to innovate and other technological modernization efforts. Received approval. Waiting for talking points. Scheduled 9/27 at 11:00 a.m. Interview expected 9/27.

Government Computer News [Received 9/17] – CLOSED 9/26 – Wants an EPA staffer to conduct a webinar on telework for other government professionals. Declined to do webinar. Unsure when webinar is expected.

Greenwire [Received 9/24] - OPEN - Questions on FOIA portal. Waiting for OPS approval. Deadline 9/25. Story expected 9/26.

## General Counsel

Capital Press [Received 09/18] -- OPEN -- Question regarding FOIA and personal emails. Awaiting approval on response.

Meadowlark Herald [Received 09/26] -- OPEN -- Questions regarding EPA and being unconstitutional. Deadline 10/01 at 3 PM EDT. Working on response.

## **Pesticides**

Corn and Soybean Digest [Received 9/26] – OPEN -- current statistics on usage of pre-emergence soil-applied residual herbicides? Please call the Agricultural Research Service.

Risk Policy Report [Received 9/5] -- OPEN -- Questions about the human subjects rule.

## Policy

Bildersturm Films [Received 9/25] – OPEN – Questions on Value of Statistical Life. Waiting to hear back from reporter. Deadline 10/28. Unsure when story is expected.

BNA [Received 9/21] – OPEN – Questions on Climate Change Adaptation Plan. Waiting for OPS approval. Deadline 9/24. Unsure when story is expected.

# Research & Development

Associated Press [Received 9/25] – CLOSED 9/26 – Questions about the risk assessment for Libby asbestos. Sent approved response. Unsure when story is expected.

BNA [Received 9/11] – CLOSED 9/26 – Interviewed Ken Olden on his career and outlook for NCEA. Unsure when story is expected.

Chemical & Engineering News [Received 9/20] -- OPEN – Interview request for Ken Olden on his career and outlook for NCEA. Working on scheduling. Unsure when story is expected.

Congressional Weekly [Received 9/11] – OPEN – Interview request for Ken Olden on his career and outlook for NCEA. Scheduled 10/2 at 10 a.m. Unsure when story is expected.

Great Lakes Echo [Received 9/24] – OPEN – Interview request for Reagan Converse on gull removal using dogs. ORD working on talking points. Unsure of deadline. Unsure when story is expected.

Inside EPA [Received 9/11] – OPEN – Interview request for Ken Olden on his career and outlook for NCEA. Scheduled 9/27 at 3:00 p.m. Unsure when story is expected.

NHK – Japanese TV [Received 9/20] – OPEN – Questions on whether EPA has classified propylene dichloride as a Group B2, as a probable human carcinogen. Deadline 9/21. Waiting for OPS approval. Unsure when story is expected.

Scientific American [Received 9/24] – OPEN – Questions on IRIS assessments. ORD working on response. Deadline 9/25. Unsure when story is expected.

SCOPE [Received 9/6] – OPEN – Questions on John Darling's paper, "Detection of a Diverse Marine Fish Fauna Using Environment DNA from Seawater Samples." Waiting for OPS approval. Deadline 9/24. Unsure of when story is expected.

Small Business Programs

Inside EPA [Received 9/26] - OPEN - Will EPA be able to hire 3,000 employees to replace retirements and natural attrition?

**Toxics** 

BNA [Received 9/24] -- OPEN -- How much data is EPA receiving about the 18 chemicals which the agency requested by Aug. 31?

BNA [Received 9/26] -- OPEN -- Will the high production volume test rule cause an increase in animal testing as PETA claims?

Chemical Watch [Received 9/21] – OPEN -- Current statistics on usage of soil-applied residual herbicides, especially for corn and soybeans?

Federal Times [Received 9/25] – CLOSED 9/26 – Are the new EPEAT standards for TVs and imaging equipment out? Yes.

Greenwire [Received 9/26] – OPEN – Will the high production volume test rule cause an increase in animal testing as PETA claims?

Hardwood Floors mag [Received 9/26] – OPEN – Clarification of the RRP rule for commercial buildings.

Inside EPA [Received 9/24] – CLOSED 9/25 – Questions on PFOA. Sent approved response. Unsure when story is expected.

KCTV (Kansas City) [Received 9/19] -- CLOSED 9/26 -- TSCA reform. Requested questions. No response.

Voluntary Programs

AARP Mag [Received 9/20] -- OPEN -- Questions about how to spend \$100 and get more ROI for Energy Star. Waiting for third floor approval. Deadline 9/27.

Bankrate.com [Received 9/18] -- OPEN -- Questions on heating myths. Energy Star looking. Deadline 9/25.

Builder Mag [Received 9/20] -- CLOSED 9/26 -- Looking for statistics regarding the Qualified Homes program. Sent response approved by Bo.

Freelancer [Received 9/11] -- OPEN -- Requesting backgrounder on Heat Island program. Program looking into it. Program deadline 9/27.

Government Executive [Received 9/19] -- CLOSED 9/26 -- Questions about National Building Competition. Sent response approved by Bo.

MIT Study [Received 8/31] -- OPEN -- Wants to talk to Energy Star for study. Deadline 10/5 (flexible). Waiting for third floor approval.

This Old House [Received 9/17] -- OPEN -- Reporter is writing on storing refrigerators in the garage or basement in winter, and would like to learn more about how this can impact energy efficiency. Waiting for program response to send for approval. Program deadline 9/24.

Waste

American Legion Magazine [Received 09/04] -- OPEN -- Question regarding Superfund cleanups at military sites. Deadline 09/06/12 COB. Article to be published in November. Checking with program and following up with reporter on the request.

CNBC [Received 09/26] -- OPEN -- Question regarding food waste stat. Deadline 09/27 at 11 AM EDT. Checking with program.

Discovery News [Received 09/26] -- OPEN -- Seeking comment regarding a external organization report on e-waste. Deadline 09/26. Awaiting approval on statement from the press secretary's office.

Inside EPA [Received 09/20] -- CLOSED 09/26 -- Questions regarding Good Samartian & shipscrapping PCB. Deadline 09/25. Sent OSWER response. Julia will handle OW question.

Inside EPA [Received 09/26] -- CLOSED 09/26 -- Requesting copy of Mathy's speech at the North Carolina Forum for Mayors and Tribal Leaders. Mathy did not have prepared remarks.

Inside EPA [Received 09/26] -- OPEN -- Question regarding BMPs for siting solar on landfills. Deadline 09/26. Checking with program.

Kiplinger [Received 09/21] -- CLOSED 09/26 -- Question regarding E-Waste. Deadline 09/24. Sent responses.

National Geographic [Received 08/28] -- OPEN -- Questions regarding brownfields to brightfields for a video piece. Sent information approved by Andra. Reporter is requesting an interview. Did interview with Mathy on 09/21, approved by Andra. Reporter awaiting any graphics, photos, or maps we can provide, checking with program.

USA Today/St. Cloud Times [Received 09/26] -- OPEN -- Question regarding food waste. Deadline 09/27. Checking with program.

## Water

AP Wyoming, Bloomberg, BNA, DowJones, EnergyWire, LATimes, Marketplace Public Radio, Thomsonreuters [Received 09/26] -- OPEN -- Pavillion. Alisha handling. Deadline 09/26.

Bloomberg [Received 08/17] – OPEN – Data questions for a story on upgrading older and leaking water pipes. Sent responses to third floor for approval. Deadline 08/24.

BNA [Received 09/26] – OPEN – Questions for today about Importance of Water study. Deadline 09/26.

Civil Engineering Magazine [Received 09/07] – CLOSED 09/25 – Interview request regarding the Great Lakes agreement signed with Canada. Deadline 09/20.

Circle of Blue [Received 09/25] - OPEN - Impaired waterways questions for a CWA story. Deadline 10/01.

Cronkite News Service [Received 09/24] – OPEN – Questions about perchlorate in Arizona. Trying to get more information and deadline from reporter. Deadline unknown.

Des Moines Register [Received 09/21] – OPEN – Requesting interview with Administrator Jackson re; hypoxia for what reporter says is a major series he is developing on the issue. Requested more information from reporter. Deadline 09/28.

EENews/Energy Wire [Re-received 09/21] – OPEN -- Questions for background on a story about drinking water and fracking. Editing responses Deadline: 09/25

Inside EPA [Received 09/26] – CLOSED 09/26 – Asked whether final decision has been made on head of OWM. Sent approved response. Deadline 09/26.

Inside EPA [Received 09/26] – OPEN – Writing a blog about EPA extending deadline for power plant ELG. Deadline 09/26.

Institutional Investor magazine [Received 09/20] – OPEN – Freelancer with general questions for a story about fracking. Deadline 09/27.

Investigative West [Received 09/14] – OPEN – CWA questions for series with Oregon Public Radio. Program working on responses. Deadline extended to 09/26.

Mother Jones [Received 09/20] – OPEN – Freelancer writing feature about wastewater injection and seismicity. Seeking stat showing growth in numbers of new Class II wells over the last 10-20 years. Crafting responses. Deadline 10/1.

Municipal Sewer & Water Magazine [Received 09/13] – CLOSED 09/25 – Writing an article for their website (mswmag.com) on the new Campus Rainworks Challenge. Deadline Week of 09/24

NPR [Received 09/06] – OPEN – Questions about water contamination in aquifers in Pennsylvania due to fracking. Deadline 09/20

OpEdNews [Received 09/26] - OPEN - Writing about the security of water systems. Deadline unknown.

Santa Monica Daily Press [Received 09/25] - CLOSED 09/25 - Questions about CA beach quality. Closed out by R9.

Scienceline [Received 09/20] – OPEN – Story about haxavelant chromium for student run online magazine. Program working on responses. Deadline extended to 10/01.

Ward 5 Heartbeat newspaper (DC) [Received 09/07] – OPEN – Questions about stormwater and sewage overflow regs (after July and September storms). Deadline 09/20.

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